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Comment Of The Day

A SELL-OUT

IF any proof were needed that Hongkong regarded the Duke of Edinburgh's visit as the most important event in years, newspaper sales give the clearest indication of public interest. An extra large number of papers were printed yet both editions of last Friday's China Mail were entirely sold out. On Friday evening, people came to the China Mail office asking for spare copies when there were no longer papers to be bought on the streets. There was a repetition of this big demand on Saturday. Other newspapers report a similar response.

An analysis of sales over the four-day period shows that more than souvenir interest was involved. People wanted to follow what the Duke was doing and saying and how Hongkong reacted. In a city renowned for public indifference to local affairs, this was a remarkable contrast. What does it show?

That in Hongkong as elsewhere, the husband of the Queen is regarded as the man of the moment. He is the representative of an institution by which the world's greatest association of free and politically independent nations are linked. His personality, his character, his stamp that institution as progressive, modern, harmonious and thoughtfully interested in the affairs of all its associates. The man who had made headlines all around the world was in Hongkong making new headlines. This is what the people wanted to read.

INTO SPACE

AMERICA'S "moon rocket"
A Pioneer IV is today somewhere in the vastness of space, revolving around the sun like its bigger brother Lunik, the first man-made satellite in the solar system. The American success, after four earlier failures, got far less publicity than it deserved.

The earlier Russian achievement, with its dramatic progress traced almost hourly by Moscow Radio, overshadowed the American effort. But Pioneer, having attained its minimum objective of passing the moon, proved that only bad luck prevented the Americans on at least one earlier occasion from claiming a spectacular "first" in its space rocket programme.

Far Bigger

INDEED Pioneer's ascent was all the more remarkable because of its size. Lunik was a far bigger projectile and it has been estimated that to put a vehicle of comparable size into orbit around the sun, the Americans would have needed 100 times more energy than was used to launch Pioneer.

America may justly claim therefore that since the odds against their success were far greater and because they relied so much on a more complex guiding mechanism, their achievement was a major scientific triumph. Russia still has a big lead in the development of powerful fuel propellants, however, and America cannot claim equality until this deficiency has been remedied.

EARLY MORNING SHAMSHUIPO BLAZE RENDERS 700 HOMELESS FOUR DIE IN SQUATTER FIRE

Ten Sent To Hospital For Treatment

By CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Four people died in a serious squatter fire which broke out shortly after 4 a.m. today near the Shek Kip Mei Resettlement Area, Shamshui.

Another ten were sent to Kowloon Hospital for treatment, two of whom were detained. The bodies have not yet been identified but one was a child.

Fanned By Wind

A Social Welfare officer said he believed that more than 700 had been made homeless. At 10 a.m. 625 people had been registered by them, he said.

The fire was first reported at seven minutes past four, but by the time the Fire Brigade had arrived at the scene the blaze, fanned by a fresh wind, had gained a strong hold.

The fire was brought under control after more than 40 firemen, under the direction of Mr W. J. Gorman, the Chief Fire Officer, had fought the flames for a little less than an hour. The fire was completely extinguished at 6.15 a.m.

Charred Bodies Found

Four charred bodies were found in one of the huts in the centre of the fire, and this morning Mr Gorman said he believed that this was where the fire originated. The Fire Brigade and Police are still making inquiries into the cause of the blaze.

Mr Gorman said there were many two-storey huts in the squatter area, housing a lot of "mushroom" industries, and an explosion could have been the cause. In all, an area of almost 20,000 square feet was affected. The same area was the scene of another squatter fire about three months ago, but quick action by the Fire Brigade at that time, prevented the fire from spreading.

UK'S THOR BASES TO BE PUT ON 24-HOUR READINESS

By CHAPMAN PINCHER

London, March 11.
The United States is insisting that RAF crews manning the Thor missile sites in Britain must work under a permanent emergency schedule.

RAF chiefs have decided to operate a round-the-clock alert probably involving at least four shifts, from the moment the Thors become operational. That will be within the next few weeks.

This will ensure that the American-made missiles will always be near ready for firing. The cost of maintaining them, which is borne entirely by the British taxpayer, will be much greater than was envisaged when the Thor agreement was signed a year ago.

Costs Up

It was then believed that a state of 24-hour readiness would not be necessary unless an emergency threatened. Now the whole complex guidance and target selection system connected with the Thor, will have to be kept in an equal state of readiness. Weapon maintenance costs will also be greatly increased because they will have to be erected, fuelled and de-fuelled more often than was originally planned.

Gyroscopes and other parts of the guidance system will have to be run-up to firing readiness more frequently, which means more repairs. The warheads, though under the control of American armoured units, will have to be attached to the rockets almost permanently. In exchange for having half a finger on the firing button, Britain is paying £10,000,000 for the building of bases, plus the now-increased costs of manning them.—London Express Service.

Bombers Collide In Mid-Air

Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, March 11.

Two U.S. Air Force B-47 bombers which collided in mid-air over Idaho today landed safely. There were no injuries. Col. Robert W. De Shazo, Commander of the Ninth Bombardment Wing at Mountain Home Air Force Base, said the first plane touched down safely about 4.15 p.m. He said the second Strategic Air Command bomber landed without incident nearly two hours later.

Col. De Shazo said from all indications damage to the planes was very minor.—U.P.I.

Two In Every Hundred Have TB In Hongkong

London, March 10.

Two per cent of the adult population of Hongkong have tuberculosis in an active form.

Mr Julian Amery, Colonial Under-Secretary, said this in the House of Commons today in reply to Mr S. S. Awbery (Labour).

Mr Amery said the death rate in 1958 was 838 per hundred thousand.

Campaigns

"In Singapore the death rate in 1957 was 51 per hundred thousand."

"In both places vigorous campaigns are being waged against the disease and in both all proved remedial measures employed in the United Kingdom are already applied."

Mr Awbery said the figures were highest in the world and cried aloud for more to be done than was being done at present to reduce the incidence of the disease.

Mr Amery replied: "The figures are very grave. In Hongkong the 1958 death rate was the lowest on record and the success of our efforts in Singapore may be measured by the fact that the death rate of 51 per 100,000 in 1957-58 compared with 117 per 100,000 in 1950."—Reuter.

Typhoon Sally Heading For PI

Manila, March 11.

The weather bureau reported at 8 a.m. today that it had located typhoon Sally some 600 miles east of southern Mindanao island and was moving at 13 miles per hour toward the Philippines.

Sally, with maximum centre winds of 50 miles per hour would "not affect the Philippines within 30 hours," the weather bureau said.—U.P.I.

Dulles Gets Twelfth Dose

Washington, March 10.

Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, under treatment for abdominal cancer, received his 12th X-ray treatment today. The therapy began on February 20.—U.P.I.

Shah Hopes To Marry Swedish King's Daughter

Paris, March 10.

The French weekly Ici Paris claimed today that Shah Reza Pahlavi of Iran hopes to marry Princess Brigitta, beautiful second daughter of the King of Sweden.

The popular weekly, which claimed to have been the first with the report that the Shah was interested in Italy's Princess Maria Gabriella, said the Shah had already approached the Swedish Royal Family.

Ici Paris claimed to have got its information from the same (unidentified) source who informed it about the Shah's approach to Maria Gabriella.

It said the Shah approached the Swedish household through Earl Mountbatten, uncle of Queen Elizabeth II, of England. The Earl told

The jewellery was taken from Sir Bernard's Rolls Royce while he and Lady Docker were dining at a nearby hotel. The thieves apparently had little difficulty in opening the car's door with a skeleton key and removing the jewels which had been placed under the carpet because the vehicle's strong-box was difficult to open.

All Insured

The car had remained parked on a deserted street for more than three hours. The jewellery, locked in a blue satchel box, included about 10 items. All were insured.

Lady Docker said the jewels were mostly of sentimental value. Most had been in the family for some time and others were given her by one of her ex-husbands, she said.

The police this morning began large-scale operations to recover the jewellery. Harbours and airports have been put under surveillance, precise descriptions of the stolen rings, earrings and necklaces sent to jewellers throughout Britain and searches undertaken in several Southampton buildings.

There were no indications whether the thieves were amateurs, who happened to stumble upon the loot, or experts, who had followed the Dockers' movements for some time.—France-Press.

U.S. ROCKET PLANE MAKES FIRST FLIGHT

Edwards Air Force

Base, March 10.

The American X-15 rocket plane went aloft for the first time today in a successful test "flight" attached to a B-52 heavy bomber.

The bomber circled the base for 70 minutes before landing. The flight was the first in a series destined to lead to the first trip of a man into space, probably this summer.

The X-15 contained numerous instruments to record its behaviour in the air. Several similar "captive flights" of the plane will be held. If they are satisfactory, the aircraft will be detached from the bomber in flight.

It was possible that the plane might be released from its carrier aircraft sometime this week. The X-15 would then glide to a landing on the bed of a dried-up lake.—France-Press.

Moscow Visit

Djakarta, March 10.

Premier Djusenda of Indonesia said today he planned to visit Moscow between June and August, Antara News Agency reported.

Mr Djusenda has been invited by the Soviet Government.—Reuter.

Khrushchev Accuses Brandt Of Breaking Agreement

Berlin, March 10.

Mr Nikita Khrushchev today accused Herr Willy Brandt, the governing Mayor of West Berlin, of going back on a previous agreement to meet him.

Mr Khrushchev said the meeting between him and Herr Brandt had not been arranged in Leipzig or Berlin "but on soil other than German."

DENIAL

But a statement issued by the Berlin City Government press office said "The Governing Mayor of Berlin, Willy Brandt, states that the assertion of the Soviet Premier, Nikita Khrushchev, that there was an agreement between him and the governing Mayor of Berlin, made on non-German soil, to meet, is not correct."

Khrushchev, blamed the Western occupation authorities in Berlin for the refusal of Brandt to meet him to discuss the Berlin problem.

Khrushchev, in a statement made during a reception at the Soviet Embassy in East Berlin stated, "The reigning Mayor is under the orders of those who do not want a peace treaty nor a solution to the Berlin question and halt to the cold war."—Reuter and France-Press.

Khrushchev Gets A New Bath

London, March 10.

Mr Khrushchev, the Soviet Premier, is to get a new bath. It is a blue one made in Britain.

He saw it at the British Imperial Chemical Industries stand at the Leipzig fair last week.

Tonight a spokesman for the firm said it had now been offered to Mr Khrushchev—and he had accepted it.

The bath, the spokesman added, would be handed over to the fair's Russian director tonight.—Reuter.

THOUSANDS FLEE FROM MOSUL

By ARTHUR CHESWORTH

Cizre, March 10.

Thousands of frightened refugees from Mosul, the largest oil city in northern Iraq, and the headquarters of Shawaf's revolt, are making their way for the Turkish border to escape the fighting.

There is only one route open to them, which is the road along the Tigris valley to the small town of Cizre—centre of many American and English oil companies, at the junction of the Syrian, Turkish and Iraq borders.

The Turkish Police chief for the area told me in his office in Mardin, 130 miles from Cizre, "We closed the frontier at Cizre last Sunday when the trouble started in Iraq. I estimate that 2,000 to 3,000 refugees have arrived there. Many stayed around Cizre hoping to get into Turkey, but it will be some time before the frontier will be opened again depending on events in Iraq."

Little Heard

We have heard little of what has been happening there. It is impossible to telephone anywhere in the area, but I understand few of the people in northern Iraq wish to join Shawaf in his fight and I have heard he has only 1,000 to 5,000 men under him."

The whole northern frontier into Turkey and Syria is closed. Trains from Turkey, including the Istanbul express are turning back at the Turkish frontier station, Nusaybin on the Turkish-Syrian border.—London Express Service.

Catalina Crashes

Rio De Janeiro, March 10.
A Brazilian Air Force Catalina flying boat crashed near the northern city of Belém today. Reports said 28 persons were killed.—U.P.I.

British Soldiers In Cyprus Arrested

Nicosia, March 10.

An official spokesman said tonight that 21 British soldiers under arrest had been charged with causing a disturbance on Sunday night in Famagusta's old city, inhabited exclusively by Turkish Cypriots.

All 21 are from the First

Royal Ulster Rifles, the spokesman said.

Investigations into a disturbance in the Greek sector of Famagusta on the same night are still continuing and an official source said tonight more soldiers might be arrested.—Reuter.

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Pope John's 5-Volume History Is Finished

After 50 Years

By DAVID KELLY, SPECIAL TO THE CHINA MAIL

Vatican City, March 10.

A book by Pope John XXIII will be published shortly, the last of a five-volume historical study which it has taken him 50 years to write.

By his express request, no special publicity is being given to the appearance of this fifth volume of "The Acts of the Apostolic Visit of Saint Charles Borromeo to Bergamo."



THE POPE

ELECTRICITY SHOCKS THE SHARKS

Durban, March 10.
The first experiments on the use of electrical impulses on sharks has been conducted at the St Lucia Bay on the Natal coast by a team of scientists.

Though of a preliminary nature, the experiments proved that sharks react violently to electric shocks.

A shovel-nosed shark six feet in length and weighing about 200 lbs. placed in a special tank was subjected to various degrees of electric shocks passed through the water.

It was seen to twitch violently as the current was stepped up and later was completely exhausted.

REPULSION

Three sharks, two medium-sized and a large one, were caught in nets and placed in a basin which had been dredged. Before they were released, cork marker buoys were tied to their tails.

An electric field was created across the mouth of the basin and the sharks were observed to react to this "barrier."

Dr J. P. A. Lochner, who is in charge of the experiment, intends starving the sharks in the basin to see if the repulsion of the electric barrier is stronger than through craving for food.

The experiment is being conducted to test the feasibility of using large-scale electric barriers off beaches on the coast to combat the shark menace.—China Mail Special.

STATETO-DAY
AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 & 9.30 P.M.

The fly-leaf of the 497-page book will read: "By Angelo Roncalli, Cardinal Patriarch of Venice, with the collaboration of Don Pietro Forno."

The complete set of five volumes, bound in parchment, will cost \$28.

Pope John wrote the concluding chapter last summer during a holiday spent at his family's farmhouse at Sotto il Monte ("Under-the-Hill"), the little village in Bergamo diocese where he was born 77 years ago.

Scholarly

Since his election as Pope last October, he is reported to have spent many hours working over the proofs in his study.

The book is a scholarly, annotated work of historical research, based mainly on 29 volumes of old records documenting the visit which Cardinal Borromeo, Archbishop of Milan, made to his suffragan diocese of Bergamo in 1575.

Saint Charles, son of a Medici mother, nephew of Pope Pius IV and a Cardinal at the age of 22, is remembered as the first great prolate of the Counter-Reformation.

Before his death, at the age of 48, he had played a leading role in organizing the Council of Trent (1545-1563) and put into effect in his Archdiocese the reforms which the Council decreed to combat the spread of the Protestant Reformation.

Charity

He was well-known for his charity and his desire to care for his flock personally. During a terrible famine in 1570 he went from house to house collecting for the poor.

In 21 years in the See of Milan, he made thousands of visits to parishes in the work of rescuing his Archdiocese from the frequently scandalous state into which it had fallen. Three years spent in Bergamo in the course of these labours are the object of Pope John's present study.

Young Father Roncalli came across the dusty manuscript records of the visit as a young man, browsing through the archives of the Ambrosian Library in Milan.

The librarian, Monsignor Achille Ratti, the future Pope Pius XI, encouraged him to undertake this study and handed him the manuscript photocopied.

"I have spent 50 years in the company of Saint Charles," Cardinal Roncalli wrote in his conclusion last summer.

Buses Replace Peking's Trams

Peking, March 10.

Buses and trolley-buses today entirely replaced Peking's 30-year-old tram service in the city. More than one hundred additional buses and trolley-buses began operating this morning on three new lines. This completes the replacement of trams throughout Peking except for a few lines in the outer city.—France Press.

Radioactivity From Cape Canaveral Rocket 'Hits' Passing Tanker

SPECIAL TO THE CHINA MAIL

Athens, March 10.

Greek sailors told how their tanker was "hit" by radioactivity off Cape Canaveral, in the Atlantic, and had to be scrapped.

The sailors belonged to the Panamanian tanker, Duchess which, they said, met a rocket while on a trip from the West Indies to Savannah, Georgia, last September.

The rocket, which they assumed was fired from the Cape Canaveral testing ground, Florida, narrowly missed the ship and fell into the sea about 500 yards away.

Watches Stop

According to the sailors, all electrical and magnetic equipment in the ship was put out of action, including the electric steering wheel, compass, radar and radio. Even wrist watches stopped. The engine was also affected and the vessel had to be towed to Savannah.

Experts who examined the tanker said most of its equipment was damaged by radioactivity and would need to be replaced. The owners, however, preferred to have her scrapped. The Duchess was eventually delivered to Italian shipyards for scrapping.

Big Buy

Los Angeles, March 10.
Paul J. Smith, a cartage firm executive, bought a 17-foot stuffed giraffe for \$155 at an auction yesterday.
"It really stuck my neck out," he commented after the sale.—U.P.I.

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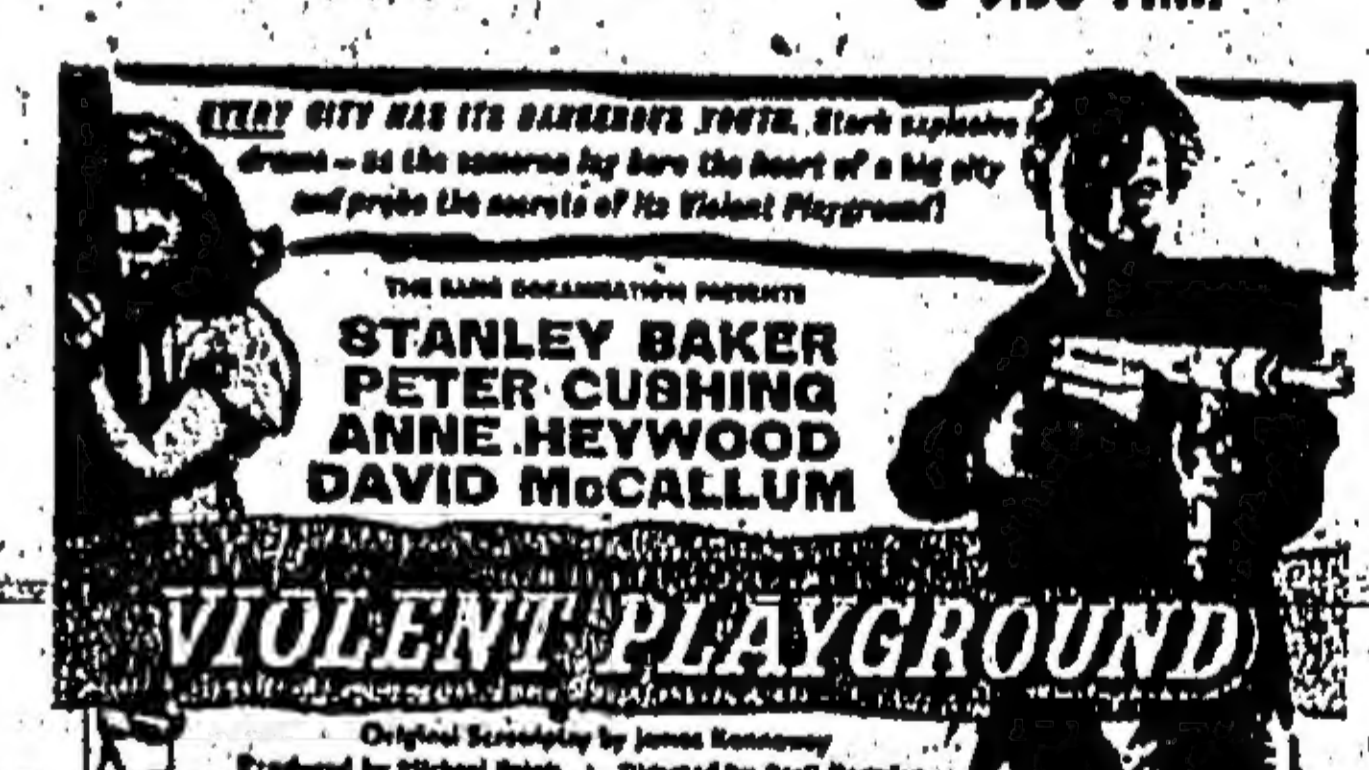
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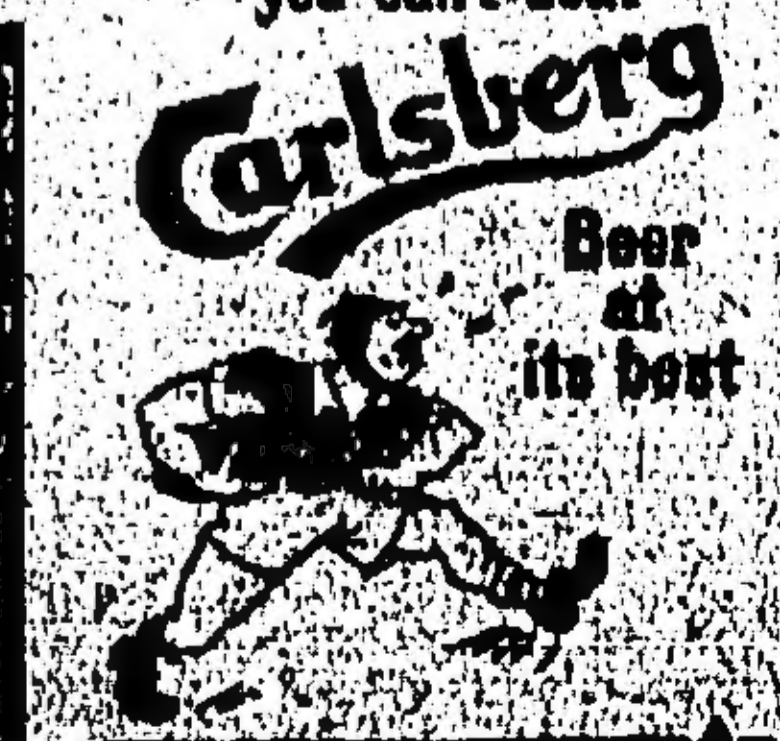
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CHURCHILL JOINS THE GIANTS OF BRITISH ART

London, March 11. Sir Winston Churchill joined the giants of British art today when 61 of his paintings were given a one-man exhibition at the Royal Academy here.

Only four other living artists have been so honoured — Augustus John, Sir Gerald Kelly, Sir Alfred Munnings and Leslie Brangwyn.

The road to the exhibition started in 1915 when leaving the Admiralty after the Dardanelles venture, the then Mr Churchill used a child's painting kit on a certain Sunday and unconsciously started his career as an artist.

The following year he was in Flanders and had two paintings done there. World War I scenes, are the earliest in the exhibition.

By 1925 he had so far progressed as to enter an art competition for amateurs—a competition in which the names of the competitors were unknown to the judges.

When one of the judges, the late Sir Joseph Duveen, art connoisseur, saw one entry he remarked: "That is obviously by a professional, and this is a contest for amateurs."

The painting in question was by Winston Spencer Churchill and his subject was "Winter Sunshine, Chartwell" which is his country home in Kent.

He won the competition. A letter on the back of the picture, also in the exhibition relates the story.

"David Winter"

Then in 1947 two paintings were submitted to the annual summer exhibition of the Royal Academy under the name of "David Winter". They were passed by the Selection Committee before they were identified as the work of Mr Churchill.

One of these pictures "The Silver Cup" has been lent to the exhibition by the trustees of the Tate Gallery.

The following year, with the consent of King George VI to the creation of a special new class of member, Mr Churchill became the first Honorary Academician Extraordinary of the Royal Academy.

Thirty-five of the pictures in the current exhibition which will last for a fortnight have been touring the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, breaking records for attendance.

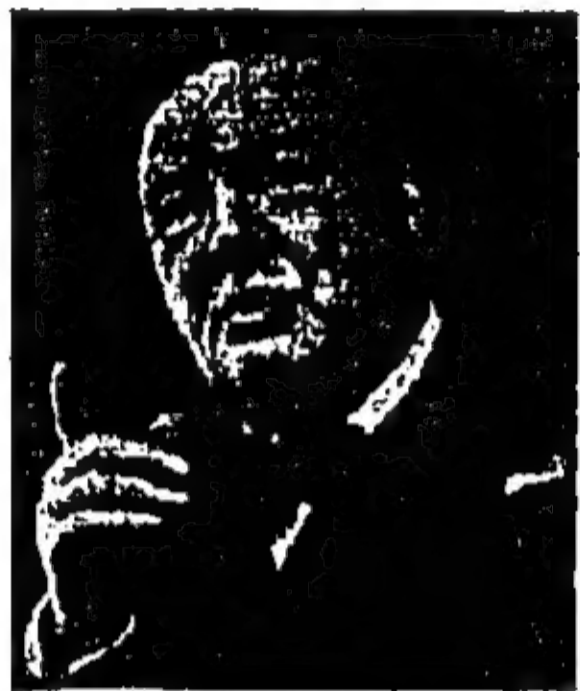
To these have been added 26 pictures mostly from Sir Winston's studio at Chartwell.

The paintings show his development as an artist from the time of the Flanders pictures until last year.

There are still life studies, seascapes and landscapes and one entitled "Bottlescape" lent by Lady Churchill.

This is a group of bottles, glasses and cigars illuminated by an electric lamp—a still life that must have appealed to Sir Winston's sense of humour.

Art critics have their own views on Sir Winston's pictures.



Churchill
"Obviously a professional"

But taking a party of Pressmen up to the preview of the exhibition the lifeman was heard to ask a fellow workman in the Royal Academy "What do you think of them?" meaning the Churchill paintings.

"They're grand" was the reply, "but it's a pity there were not more."

The paintings have their settings mainly in France, Italy and Morocco.

Sir Winston was on holiday in Morocco recently. There are a number of studies of the garden at Chartwell.

Sir Winston has now turned out over 400 paintings.

They have been done in political triumph and disaster but the exhibition contains no painting done during World War II.

"I doubt if he had time to do any during that period," said Mr Humphrey Brooke, secretary of the Royal Academy.

Painting then appears to have been abandoned for blood, tears, toll and sweat.—China Mail Special.

Navy's Latest



HMS Tiger, the Royal Navy's latest cruiser, shows off her rapid firing three-inch guns.

The guns have a rate of fire comparable to a machine gun.

The Tiger's six-inch guns have a firing rate three times faster than any previous gun of their size.

The cruiser, which was built at John Brown's Clydebank yard, will be commissioned this month.

—Central Press Photo.

"Machines Will Not Replace Man In Space"

Moscow, March 10. Soviet academician Boris Kukarkin said today that no robot or machine would ever be able to replace man in the exploration of outer space.

He added that the problems of sending men into space would be solved during the coming years.

Kukarkin was giving a three-hour review, supported by projections and documentary films, on the Soviet programme for the conquest of space to Western diplomats and journalists in the Moscow Planetarium.

He said experiments carried out with dogs showed that space flight was not harmful. He reaffirmed, however, that no Soviet citizen would be sent into space until it was possible to guarantee his safe return to earth.

The first planet to be reached by an earthly body and by man, Kukarkin said, would be the moon, not only because it was the closest to earth but also because its low gravity made it easier to leave for the return to earth.

Great Precision

This did not signify that flights to other planets, notably Mars and Venus, would not also be attempted, Kukarkin added.

He stressed the scientific importance of the Soviet Union's first moon rocket experiment.

He said it had required great precision to carry out this test, and added that it had provided the first opportunity of observing the moon directly, other than by its reflected light.

Kukarkin said the attempt to orbit the moon had failed because of an error of more or less 0.1 per cent. The American failure, he added, were probably due to a similar error.

The method to be employed for reaching a fixed objective in future cosmic flights, Kukarkin said, would be a guidance system operated from the earth.

Kukarkin said this system would be employed until, and possibly after, manned space flight was possible. He explained that it would considerably simplify the problems of initial direction and fuel supply.—France-Press.

Difficult

Milwaukee, Wis., March 10. Ronald Fornowski won a \$700 damage suit yesterday against Lyle Thomsen whose car struck Fornowski's parked car five years ago.

Fornowski suffered a cut lip and he claimed the resulting scar made shaving difficult. He was kissing his girl good night at the time of the accident.—U.P.I.

High Chair Launching

Sunderland, Eng., March 10. Miss Eugenia Chandris, daughter of a Greek shipowner, will launch a 11,000-ton ship today—from her high chair.

The two-year-old girl will press a button to send the ship named for her down the ways.—U.P.I.

Birth Rate Must Be Halved, Says Sir Julian

London, March 10. Sir Julian Huxley said here tonight that unless India could halve its birth rate by 1980, she would have reached the point of "economic no return."

He was giving a report at a meeting organized by the Family Planning Association on the International Conference on Population Questions at Delhi from which he and other British delegates recently returned.

Sir Julian said Mr Nehru and his government were studying the evidence in a big campaign against the birth rate. India had increased its birth rate from 2.5 in 1947 to 3.5 in 1957.

Macmillan Accused Of Appeasement

Washington, March 10. Senator John M. Butler charged today that the British Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, is trying to "sell" an appeasement line on Berlin and should not be the West's spokesman in negotiating with Russia.

Mr Butler told the Senate that President Eisenhower should be recognized as the "chief spokesman for the West" because "he will negotiate but he will not surrender."

The Republican said he believed Mr Macmillan is completely sincere in trying to lessen tensions on Berlin.

But he recalled that Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain made a deal with Hitler which ended in World War II.

He warned against letting history repeat itself and said: "It would appear that through fear he (Macmillan) is now preaching disarmament and flexibility in the solution of the Berlin problem."

"He is currently trying to sell this appeasement line to the United States next week it is clear that he will try to get the President of the United States to buy it," he said.—U.P.I.

13-Year Bluff

Hufley, March 10. Animal-loving Mrs Ella Barber, ordered by magistrates in 1946 to keep only two cats and a dog, bluffed her neighbours for 13 years.

For when police and an inspector of the B.S.P.O.A. went to her six-roomed flat yesterday they found 50 cats, five dogs, two rabbits, three budgerigars and two canaries.

Neighbours had complained about the whimpering of "one or two dogs."

Most of the 50 cats had nothing to eat since Mrs Barber was taken to hospital six days ago. Twenty-nine cats and one dog had to be destroyed.—China Mail Special.

Ike's Private Letters Tell Of Plans HIGHER POST FOR DULLES

New York, March 10. Private letters of President Eisenhower, published here today, reveal that he favoured creating a new, more important Cabinet position for Mr John Foster Dulles last year.

The new post would be called "The First Secretary of the Government."

The letter was one of many gathered by Life Magazine from more than 500 people on the president's "personal list."

In a letter dated January 28, 1958, Mr Eisenhower said "My ideal organizational change would be to create a post which I would call 'The First Secretary of the Government'."

This office—who in this case would be Mr Dulles—would be responsible to the President for co-ordinating and directing the efforts of the State Department, the U.S.A. the I.C.A. and the

"There were many difficulties with de Gaulle during the war involving sometimes three cornered fights between de Gaulle, Churchill and Roosevelt."

"I had myself some trouble with him, but I seem to be the one American who throughout the war always stayed on friendly terms with him, and in spite of some differences of opinion and heated exchanges always remained—and still remain—personal friends with him."

Hungary

Of the Hungarian revolt, Mr Eisenhower said on November 19, 1956:

"... I know that your whole being cries out for action on the Hungarian problem."

"I assure you that the measures taken there by the Soviets are just as distressing to me as they are to you. But to annihilate Hungary, should it become the scene of a bitter conflict is in no way to help her...."

China

On the question of the offshore islands on the Chinese coast, Mr Eisenhower wrote on January 24, 1955:

"... as long as actual fighting persists anywhere, there is always the danger that some hot bullet will by chance hit a powder keg."

"In the meantime, we are acting in co-operation with the Chinese Nationalists, we are not trying to dominate them, we are certainly not trying to force upon them any action of any kind that they would deem of serious damage to their political or military position."—Routier.

De Gaulle

Of France's President de Gaulle, President Eisenhower said in a letter dated December 30, 1954:

DULLES SAYS CHINA, RUSSIA WILL CLASH (But Not For Some Time)

Washington, March 10. The Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, expects friction to develop between China and Russia in the long run but anticipates no break between them in the near future.

Mr Dulles' view was disclosed today when the Senate Foreign Relations Committee released testimony he gave before the group at a closed session on January 14.

Mr Dulles also said he did not think the authority of the Communist regime in China was in jeopardy "at the present time."

Mr Dulles said Soviet-Chinese friction would develop only "after you have in these two countries governments that are more national governments and less under the control of what Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev calls the International Communist Movement."

At present, Mr Dulles said, both the Peking and Moscow governments are under "communist control of the International Communist Movement and, while there may be struggles of personality between them as to which is going to play the bigger role, I do not anticipate in the

near future any break between them."

He said antagonism would grow between the two Communist powers "over the long run of several decades."

Mr Dulles' testimony was given more than two weeks before he entered hospital for a hernia operation.

Mr Dulles told the Senators that in China "with the disaffection on the part of the army, and with the ruthlessness of the Communist leadership in being willing to shoot down people by the hundreds of thousands, I do not think that the authority of the Communist regime is in jeopardy."

As for Berlin, Mr Dulles said at the January 14 session he doubted that it would be desirable for the Senate to pass a resolution endorsing U.S. policy in the crisis.

Three such resolutions have been introduced but the committee has taken no action on them.

He told the Senators there are as many possibilities for negotiation that getting into details of that kind in a Senate resolution would, I think, be unwise."

In another part of his testimony, Mr Dulles said he felt freedom was making progress against Latin American dictators.

"There has been a succession of changes which have been in the direction of greater democracy," he said. "But he turned the Senate against the dictators."



Queen Elizabeth Dolls Are A Hit

New York, March 10. Seven-inch Queen Elizabeth dolls are making a hit at the International Toy and Trade Fair in New York.

The dolls, made by an English firm, are especially interesting buyers from Chicago, which the Queen will visit this summer in connection with the opening of the Stat Law-rance seaway.

Other best sellers at the doll stand were replicas of the first Queen Elizabeth, Sir Winston Churchill in garb robes and Henry VIII.

A Fair spokesman said "A vain attempt to smear imported products as inferior or even dangerous fell not only flat but was also clearly repudiated.... The fact is, dolls are here to stay."—China Mail Special.

De Havilland Keys Given To Reds

Bonn, March 10. Frau Ines Schneider, a West German woman charged with espionage, said today she took several keys from the Bonn office of the De Havilland aircraft firm and passed them to the East German Intelligence to be copied.

Frau Schneider, 41, is charged with obtaining secret information from the Bonn offices of the British Embassy, the De Havilland Company and the West German Defence Ministry while working as a shorthand typist.

HUSBAND CHARGED

Her husband, Herr Viktor Schneider, 44—who claims to be a former wartime agent for the allies—is charged with passing on the information to the East German State Security Ministry in East Berlin.

In evidence yesterday, Frau Schneider said she had wanted to give up her espionage work "But my husband's threats forced me to continue."

She said he had suddenly said he would report her to Bonn police unless she gave him more material from De Havilland's Bonn office.—China Mail Special.

Big Haul

Sto to Japan, March 10. The Japanese made off with a haul of big guns here today.

According to Japanese reports, the haul included 100 mm anti-aircraft guns, 120 mm mortars, 150 mm howitzers, 240 mm mortars, 280 mm howitzers, 300 mm mortars, 350 mm howitzers, 400 mm mortars, 450 mm howitzers, 500 mm mortars, 550 mm howitzers, 600 mm mortars, 650 mm howitzers, 700 mm mortars, 750 mm howitzers, 800 mm mortars, 850 mm howitzers, 900 mm mortars, 950 mm howitzers, 1000 mm mortars, 1050 mm howitzers, 1100 mm mortars, 1150 mm howitzers, 1200 mm mortars, 1250 mm howitzers, 1300 mm mortars, 1350 mm howitzers, 1400 mm mortars, 1450 mm howitzers, 1500 mm mortars, 1550 mm howitzers, 1600 mm mortars, 1650 mm howitzers, 1700 mm mortars, 1750 mm howitzers, 1800 mm mortars, 1850 mm howitzers, 1900 mm mortars, 1950 mm howitzers, 2000 mm mortars, 2050 mm howitzers, 2100 mm mortars, 2150 mm howitzers, 2200 mm mortars, 2250 mm howitzers, 2300 mm mortars, 2350 mm howitzers, 2400 mm mortars, 2450 mm howitzers, 2500 mm mortars, 2550 mm howitzers, 2600 mm mortars, 2650 mm howitzers, 2700 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THIS HONGKONG

Monument To Courage

So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these?

He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee.

He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

JOHN LUFF

FRIDAY afternoon, February 20, 1959, was a dreary day. The clouds were hanging low, and as we made our way to the Diocesan Girls' School the new towering blocks seemed lost in the drizzling rain clouds of the cold afternoon. The rain drove us to shelter under the arches of the new buildings, while the official party stood somewhat forlorn as the Bishop of Hongkong bade us welcome.

Then suddenly, a girls' choir burst into such a paean of joy that the very elements paused in their sultriness. A brighter sun than that hidden by the rain clouds seemed to shine. The towering new school block seemed to leap from its foundations, while the stately new hall skipped to the very high heavens.

For the words they sang were the words the Church Universal reserves for such occasions when men praise God; it was the Hymn of Thanksgiving, used by most Christians when by the glory of great events, they assemble to worship. It is old, and men generally refer to it by its ancient name, Te Deum, and the Anglican Chant to which it was sung is particularly beautiful.

There was much to thank God for. I suppose the girls thought in terms of new buildings, great modern classrooms, and up-to-date laboratories.

I suppose Mrs. Nancy O'Connell and Miss Nora Edwards thought of the beautiful lofty hall where their combined histrionic and musical activities can resume with greater scope than that afforded hitherto.

The Hon. Douglas Crozier, C.M.G., Director of Education, no doubt had in mind that yet another old school has torn down its ancient walls and extended its boundaries. And above all, Mrs. Joyce Symons, sometime scholar, then teacher, and now Headmistress of the Diocesan Girls' School, who has seen this great wonder come about; surely an occasion for pride and thanksgiving.

Some words used by the Bishop of Hongkong, sent my mind exploring the past; if I can be excused a cliché, they rang a bell in my mind. He spoke of the Diocesan Girls' School, now in its centenary year, and he spoke of Miss Baxter.

Exactly a hundred years ago, in Doncaster, Yorkshire, far away in England, Susan Harriet Sophia Baxter had made a great decision. She decided to be an honorary missionary to Hongkong, with special attention to the recently

formed Female Education Society. Home influences would help Miss Baxter reach her decision, for her father, Mr. Robert Baxter was typical of all that was finest, and perhaps, most indicative of the Victorian era.

The very solid worth, the creature comforts, the rigid self-inflicted discipline of the middle class Victorian home, have become subjects of the super-natural historian's fondle. But the Victorian had a faith, even if they took themselves to be the selected people of God's providence.

There was an irritating air of self-satisfaction, but if they saw themselves as favoured, they recognised they had duties to fulfil, and those they performed and in performing them, saw their possessions as nought.

This, I say, was Victorianism at its best, and it was from such a home that Susan Baxter came.

It was a Godly home. The family prayers, the daily Bible reading attended by servants, the general pervading sense of all having a charge as well as a place to keep.

George Smith, Bishop of Hongkong, had visited that home. It was during the time the family gave to prayer and devotion, that he received the "call" to Hongkong, and laboured here, rather than in some comfortable, prosperous parish in England.

Bishop Smith, mindful of the Savior's words that He had other sheep, not of this flock, began to cast about to see what could be done.

And what could be done was an revolutionary step as could be taken. Mrs. Smith, the wife of the Bishop was horrified to discover what an object figure of Chinese society was the ordinary Chinese girl.

With a heart so great that it could encompass all China, she visited the affluent European community and enlisted or gently bullied them out of their golden sovereigns. So in 1859,

this revolutionary institution, The Diocesan Native Female Training School, opened its doors at a house loaned by Government in Albany Terrace.

This was the first girls' school ever to come under the new "Grant-in-Aid" scheme. Miss Wilson, a schoolmistress but recently arrived from England, was placed in temporary charge.

Miss Baxter arrived in Hongkong, and immediately threw herself at the immense challenge Hongkong offered. No doubt whatever that a lady of gentle birth and independent means, Miss Baxter could have found a lofty perch in the social scale.

But she deliberately dedicated herself to the charge she had accepted. In so doing, she wrestled not only against the frustrating circumstances of old Hongkong, but she did battle with blind prejudice of racial discrimination.

We obtain tantalising glimpses at her work as she establishes a school in Mosque Terrace and Staunton Street, amalgamating her schools in a building in Bonham Road on a site later occupied by the old Diocesan Boys' School.

Neither was Miss Baxter content to leave it there. She went among the very worst she could find, and among the indescribable squalor of Tsimshatsui, on the slopes of the Peak above Kennedy Town, and there established a day school.

The year is 1861, and the British have been in Hongkong twenty years. It is quite easy to see what has been happening.

The young men stationed here in the camps have found England far away. Their very status denies them the society of the more affluent merchant-men. Quite naturally they turn to the young women around them. Then arrive those children destined to be the subjects of a thousand deliberate insults, a hundred thoughtless remarks, a dozen wounding taunts. God alone knows of the wounds the snob's fangs have caused, but Miss Baxter sought these children out, and rescued them from horror and worse.

And when they were hungry, she fed them; and she bound up their wounds; and she gave to them all the love her great heart contained; the love the world denied them.

She worked terribly hard, and her schools grew daily, so that in 1862, they sent out Miss Eaton to assist her. For by this time there were four schools, three on the island, and one at Umhailin (Yaumatei).

As it to answer some of the criticisms hurled at her, Miss Baxter, although she had come out to do missionary work, opened a school for the English children of the Military. Among these Army children was Margaret Johnstone, and so inspired was this child that she returned to the Colony some years after Miss Baxter's death, to carry on with the work.

Miss Baxter was unsparring of herself. When her physical strength gave out, her great heart spurred her on.

Her staff, especially Miss Oxland and Miss Eaton had to take her severely to task, and when she would have ventured upon new grounds, they had to threaten that they would withdraw. Not that they meant this, but they could say what she herself refused to see. Her unsparring devotion to her work had undermined her health.

She was reluctantly compelled to seek aid for her school at Tsimshatsui, and got the C.M.S. to take it over.

But this belated step was of no avail. The summer of 1865, with its terrific heat and rain was too much for a body grown frail. The spirit was as strong as ever, and when the time came for her to die, she still fretted over her beloved Eurasian orphans.

But she had trained her warriors well, and when at last she laid down the sword, Miss Oxland and Miss Eaton carried on the work.

But the days of the pioneers were over. The Diocesan School must consolidate its gains. The new general must stay at home, and not venture from Bonham Road to pursue guerrilla tactics all over the island.

Then the venture suffered another setback when Miss Eaton left to marry Dr. E. J. Etel, whose history of Hongkong serves everyone who

wishes to learn of the Colony's early days.

So Miss Oxland was placed in charge, but she as a schoolmistress did not relish the task after the brave days of pioneering with Miss Baxter. Her opinion was supported by the Female Education Society, but the Diocesan School had been going down so fast that Miss Oxland agreed to postpone her furlough until a new Superintendent could be found.

He arrived as Bishop Alford sent out a circular to ask funds for his project. The circular, dated January 30, 1869, speaks of Eurasian children found living under every deplorable condition possible.

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The rest is known, and could be better told by many in the Colony.

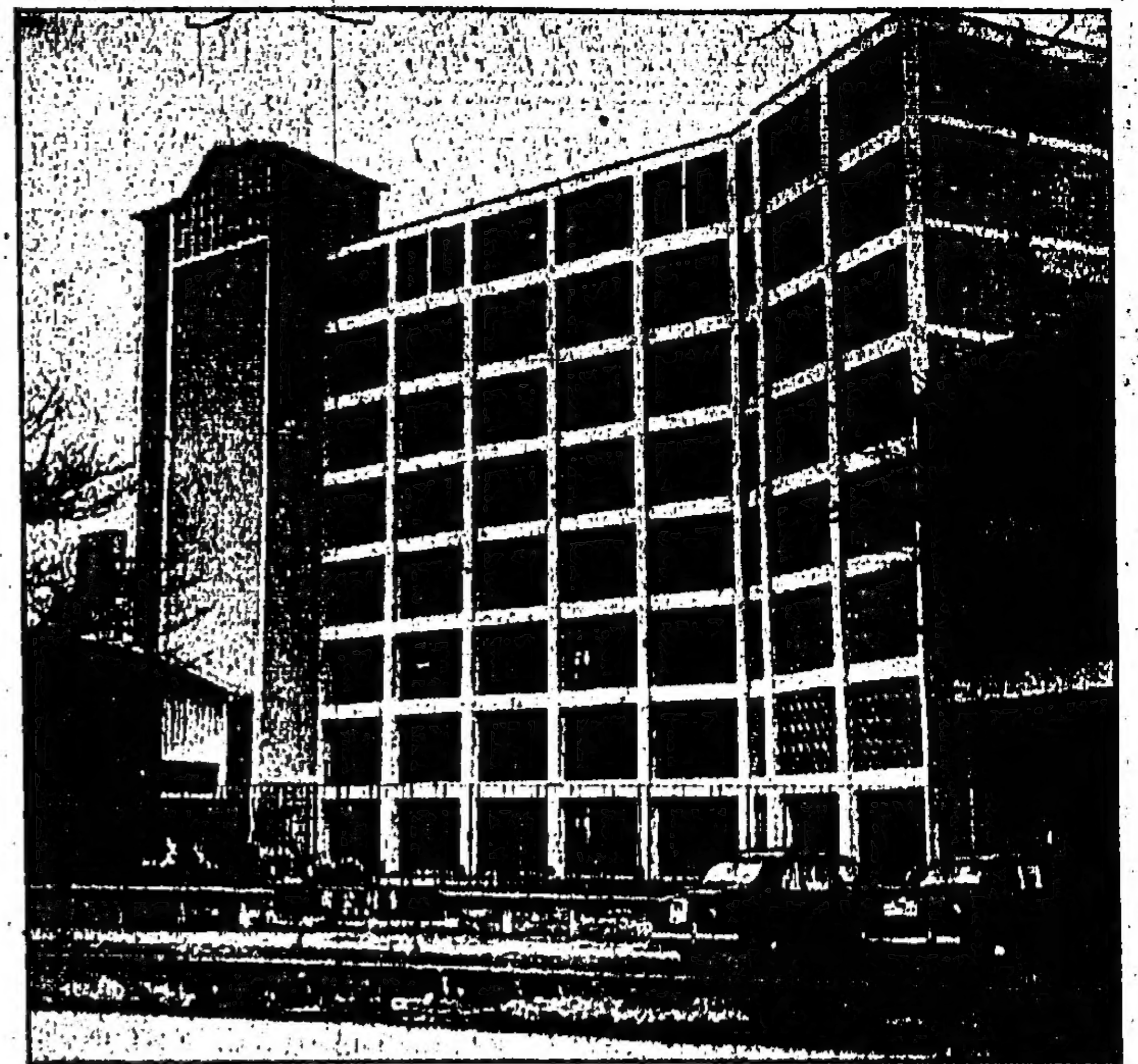
Following Bishop Alford's appeal, the benefits of the Diocesan School and Orphanage were extended to both sexes, one wing for boys, another for girls. Mr. W. M. B. Arthur, Garrison Schoolmaster, and his wife were placed in charge of 23 children. Co-education did not seem to work in those days, for in 1878, the school went back to taking girl pupils only, but when the C.M.S. started up Fairlie Girls' School in 1892, the girls left Bonham Road to the boys.

In 1899, a new Diocesan Girls' School was opened at Rose Villas, Bonham Road, by Miss Skipton and her friend, Miss Rose Hawker.

Miss Skipton was headmistress for twenty-two years, and it was during her headship that the school moved to the site it now occupies in Kowloon. This move was made in 1913.

Miss Skipton carried on until 1921 when Miss Ferguson took over. Miss Ferguson suffered ill health and her untimely death in 1925 closed a brief career.

Nevertheless, the School was fortunate during Miss Ferguson's headship, in that she introduced modern methods to the curriculum. Social activities, interesting parents in the School's activities, the stressing of the School's place in the Community.



THE Diocesan Girls' School — today. A far cry from the humble beginning in Bonham Road.

Miss Sawyer took over in 1925, and it was during her headship that the School established its fine reputation in English studies.

We come now to times remembered by all but the youth of the Colony. Miss Gibbins became Headmistress in 1939. In spite of ominous distant thunders of war, Miss Gibbins tackled her task with the optimism which characterises the Colony.

She modernised the School, and early in 1941, a fine new wing of eight classrooms and a laboratory was added.

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The end of the year saw the Colony defeated, and occupied by the Japanese. The building was looted. Later it was taken over by the Japanese Gendarmes.

Miss Gibbins will be remembered by many who were in Stanley Camp as the Headmistress of the School the internecine ran there. Also let it be known that Miss Gibbins broke out of Camp two days early, and saved the D.G.S. from further looting and destruction.

The Diocesan Girls' School has come a long way from days in Bonham Road where Miss Baxter sought to instruct

both girls and boys, as the Boys' School was in use as a hospital.

Miss Gibbins left the Colony, and Miss Joyce Anderson, now Mrs. Symons, the present Headmistress, held the fort till the end of the term.

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Miss A. W. Hurrell arrived in Hongkong in March 1940, and the School remained true to its early vows, for it received into its care forty girls who had lost one or both parents during the war.

Now we are back to the present, and the Diocesan Girls' School stands mightier than ever before.

If only the Misses Baxter, Eaton, and Oxland could see it. Perhaps they can. What say they about this fine towering block, seven storeys high? Or these wonderful classrooms where their young ladies now sit with a pride and deportment that would have been considered impossible a hundred years ago? Or of this great hall where a thousand girls assemble, smart in their grey and blue uniforms?

The Diocesan Girls' School has come a long way from days in Bonham Road where Miss Baxter sought to instruct

them in 'useful service.' But this Centenary year, it was good to hear Bishop Hall pay tribute to the ladies who pioneered the way, and in particular Miss Baxter. For with her, we meet something so paradoxical, a place where joy and sorrow meet. A soul so valiant for truth, so practical in application.

For to see her trek over those rugged upland paths, as she walked from Bonham Road in Tsimshatsui, must have revealed a determination rarely equalled in the brave records of this Colony.

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And the sadness to think she never saw her Yorkshire home again, but laid down her life for the children she had adopted.

Yet in all this she was more than conqueror. For as that hot summer day in 1865 darkened before her eyes, there would be that the thoughts of home.

Yet all this she considered, and counted it a loss before the great work she undertook.

And today stands the D.G.S. a monument to the courage of all who have laboured for her. For this was her victory, even her faith.



ANNE SHARPLEY

CONSIDER what it is like to be Kay Kendall, on a bad day.

Perhaps it is that devouring but so human curiosity of other people that is hardest to bear. As though they thought they could become you by simply staring hard enough.

Four years ago you'd simply have been another tall girl with a witty aura all your own, but just another of London's pretty girls.

Now, wherever you go there's that interrogatory stare as though they weren't just stripping you, but skinning you.

And the way they try to be disappointed. It's very natural I suppose. What was it that girl said audibly enough for Miss Kendall to hear: "That awful long-looking thing in glasses. It can't be Kay Kendall, silly." But she knew well enough it was.

Success vibrates in the third Mrs. Harrison, tautly almost antagonistically. In some, success brings out a note of satisfaction. But for her success means encroachment. Eyes that stare and clutch. People crowding round you, or barging you.

A mink coat becomes an embarrassment (one almost gets the feeling she was glad her furs were stolen). "After all I have been working since I was 11 and my husband has been an international star for 25 years. It's not wrong to wear a mink coat is it?"

Her eyes, so persistently and arrogantly described as blue, are a nervous amber — as though sym-

bolic of her indecision between the green glow ahead to the roaring traffic of success and the red signal to stop, go away, leave her alone.

The one-time "one of the boys" Kendall, happy to have a beer in a bar and join in the complaints about how the studio were neglecting her, is a different girl since she became Mrs. Rex Harrison, acquiring at the same time stardom for herself and the Lord Chancellor as brother-in-law. But only because she's got to be.

"When I go into a pub and ask for a Worthington or a Guinness they think I'm mad not to be drinking champagne."

OUR PASSION

She has developed the heads-down, horn-rimmed spectacles, averted-gaze disguise of her husband as he patiently prizes their two pug dogs off each tree in turn along their morning walk in Chelsea.

"I love riding on the top decks of buses. But they stare at you as though you were a monkey. Even Darwin would be forced to admit that this elegant bird was further than east from the monkeys."

But that's not all. Even when pursuing her private but nightly mania for theatre-going she is no longer secure.

"I go every night to the theatre as I have done all my life. Suddenly everyone's talking about Vivien, Betty and me as though we were up to something sinister. We all love going to the theatre. It's our passion, our homework. Rex finds it torturous not to be able to see other people acting."

So while her husband performs before yet one more dotting audience in Drury Lane his wife goes to the theatre. "Never a cinema." At 11.30 she and Mr. Harrison have supper together. "Unfair to eat when he is working."

Their home is delightful, eighteenth century and in that bookshelf of Chelsea known as Cheyne Walk. But it is rented. "We've never had a home for three years, always rented houses. If we bought a house in London which we most probably will do next year then we will find ourselves working in New York. Everyone thinks it all so glamorous but I'm always sitting in corners sobbing and weeping because I've got to pack up again."

Suddenly one sees that she must often weep from nervousness. The same nervousness that gave her ulcers at 18 when her first film "London Town" tried to impose stardom on a girl not ready for it.

CONQUERED

The same nervousness that gives her, she believes, an aura of what is going to happen. "If anything happens I usually know about it five hours beforehand. I feel it coming on. Probably my Irish blood."

And the same nervousness that used to keep her miserably

staring at her reflection in a mirror for hours, convinced she was incurably ugly. "Before I went out to a premiere I was always prostrate with misery. This, at least, has been conquered. When I was 13, last year I learned that to live was so important that appearance didn't matter. And I never give it a thought now."

The slender legs take long strides round the room like a house-trained giraffe. The diamond-cut face gleams alternately with wit, despair, amusement and self-mockery.

SO RIGHT

Her pedigree is London. She is Gertrude Lawrence, Sylvia Ashley, Jessie Matthews. Her grandmother Marie Kendall sang just like the Ivy five thousand times in London's music-halls. And further back on unproven but not improbable ancestor was Captain Cook.

She is so wonderfully right for all this. And to welcome. But she takes her disappointments too hard perhaps — and the public's fascination in her not easily enough. And perhaps Mr. Harrison lacks the approachability a star can have for his public.

A sudden upsurge outside takes Mrs. Harrison rapidly to the window and just as swiftly downstairs. Her Chinese pug, Higgins, is attacking a soldier in a diminutive nest of waxy "It's all right. He's got no teeth," she shrieks reassuringly.

Then in her own beautiful illogical way she realises how humiliating to Higgins' amour propre her words had been. "Terribly sorry, Higgins," she says. — (London Express Staff).

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WOMANSENSE

Nellie Opens Oysters

by Anne Sharpley

HAVE you ever thought that even if someone did give you a barrel of oysters you wouldn't be able to open the perishing things?

There you'd be with a rapidly deteriorating luxury in your possession and all the resources of strength and modern science wouldn't be able to help you.

This frustrating contingency, once seen clearly, seems worth guarding against.

Oysters, being quiet, old-fashioned things, need a quiet, old-fashioned hand to open them (native oysters are naturally more insular than the yielding foreign sort) and there isn't a hand in the world that has tamed more tough, white-bellied oysters than that of Nellie Gilles. Nellie's total is something over five and a half million in 40 years.

Don't be nervous

What makes Nellie fascinating as well as unique is that she has never tasted an oyster. Nellie was clearly the person not only to teach me how to open an oyster—but a whole new philosophy of restraint, as well. For while everyone else is busy trying to make the world their oyster, Nellie has been making the oyster her world.

She works in Sheeky's—one of those look-back-in-nostalgia restaurants with a marble counter, lots of ferns (persistently mistletoe and aspidistra) large mirrors that steam up enthusiastically with the lovely vapours of lobster, salmon, and oyster—and that plethora of white linen that makes middle-aged middle-class gentlemen think of nursery days again.

Nellie and I, wrapped in white overalls, got in a lesson before midnight when the rush starts. "It took me a week to open my first oyster," I cried nearly every night for seven days and then suddenly it came to me. Other people it's taken a fortnight. But that's only when they're nervous. If you're nervous you can't open oysters."

Well, I wasn't nervous, I had worked it out that the oyster looking than the other.

Customers were starting to come in and demand whole platefuls of oysters and I was put on to the job of handling the oysters to Nellie from the barrel. As it was, just doing that, I could hardly keep up with her. Her strong pink hands devastated all before her.

Sore?

"Don't your hands get sore?" I asked (mine were already).

"Never. And I don't use any of those hand-creams either." Somebody asked for alcohol, cucumber and without so much as locking down once she whirled out a paper-thin pile on to a plate, talking and greeting customers even more animatedly to stily emphasise her virtuosity.

"Don't you get tired?" I asked. "Never get tired opening oysters. They say here that they can always tell when oysters aren't in season because I look so miserable."

"I'll pick you out six easy ones," said Nellie, so soothingly that I began to suspect her of psychological methods. After terrible struggles I managed to produce a rather squidgy plateful of shattered shell and squashed oyster.

"She served herself one short slip on a white sheet, not looking," I heard her whisper to Mr. Fielding, the manager. Oh, humiliation. Not only was I a miserable failure as an oyster-opener, but I couldn't count up to six correctly!

As I obediently chewed that magnificent day-at-the-seaside-in-one-moment flavour of my six oysters I had one more question for Nellie. "Why have you never had one?" I asked. "Well, look at this way, dear," said Nellie, "supposing I didn't like them. . . ."

One side of the oyster is tidier-looking than the other. Customers were starting to come in and demand whole platefuls of oysters and I was put on to the job of handling the oysters to Nellie from the barrel. As it was, just doing that, I could hardly keep up with her. Her strong pink hands devastated all before her.

Success

At last I made a tiny breach and without actually getting down on the floor with it, managed to get the knife in.

"Cut the muscle, cut the muscle," urged Nellie, while the battle raged on. As I had no means of knowing where the muscle was I tried imagining where it was and that seemed to do just as well. For suddenly I saw an ever-widening gap round the rim of the enemy appearing.

"Twist the blade of the knife," cried Nellie, ruthlessly. This levered the gap open wider and the enemy, pale—and, was it my imagination but was it winning?—gave itself up.

You then show no mercy, but cut it free of its other incoherent and turn it over. This is because

Good Grooming Counts For Success In Business

EXECUTIVE secretaries reach success via a combination of efficiency and good grooming. Both are as important to business success as a pleasant personality, an easy-on-the-eye telephone manner, a nice speaking voice and excellent technical skills.

We discussed the matter with an executive secretary whose boss is chairman of the board of a world-famous company. She agreed that efficiency and skill alone weren't enough.

MUST BE ATTRACTIVE

"They—the bosses," she said, "expect you to look attractive all day long." With a hundred details to handle—reports, plane reservations, flowers for a sick associate, a phone call to tell his family of an extra dinner guest, dictation, typing—that well-groomed look can be shattered, especially if a girl's easily rattled. An executive secretary can't be. False helps her keep well-groomed, no matter how many emergencies shoot the day's schedule into shreds.

It begins with proper preparation, our informant says. "My daily routine starts with a scented bath," she said, adding that she gets up half an hour earlier to allow time for the tub.

"I follow up by giving myself an all-over splash with eau de cologne. Later, I apply matching perfume. Fragrance aids don't make you look well-groomed, but they make you feel that way—it's half of the battle won."

FRAGRANCE PLEASES

During the day she takes two beauty breaks to freshen her appearance—one mid-morning, one after lunch. Both provide a chance to wash off smudges, slick hair into line, powder a shiny nose and refresh perfume. Do business associates and top



PERFUME HAS a place in the office, says a top secretary, who uses a cologne stick twice daily to freshen fragrance.

bosses think perfume's appropriate during office hours? "Yes," says this successful secretary. "I'm sure they do. I know it gives them as much pleasure as it gives me, because I'm often asked, 'What is that scent you're wearing?'"

We agree with this, and so do

By JEANNE D'ARCY

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

To remove peach, pear, cherry or plum stains, sponge the stain with cool water, then work in glycerine or a soapless shampoo. Let stand several hours, then apply a few drops of vinegar for a minute or so, and rinse thoroughly in water.

For greater nutritive value, add powdered milk to cream sauces, gravies, scrambled eggs, and cream soups.



School For Sale

Sydney. The school closed last August, after 35 years, on the death of the owner and principal, Miss Violet Gibbins.

Everything about the school smacked of naval discipline. All 50 students—aged between seven and sixteen—wore navy blue uniforms with gold-plated buttons and velvet hats. Senior girls had commissioned ranks and new girls were "Middles."

Each section of the three-storey mansion was named after a warship.—Rout.

YOUR BIRTHDAY . . . By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

BORN today, you are one of those who agree with the adage: If at first you don't succeed, try, try again. You are ambitious and will work hard to reach your objective. You never become discouraged at minor failures, but accept them as challenges in work all the harder. Since you have an original point of view, you may find that your ideas are not always accepted immediately. But if you persist, you will find that eventually your faith in your own ideas is fully justified. You have a fine sense of humor and this helps you along in life.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

IN order to get full value out of your high cards, you must play them at the right time. East's queen of spades was his highest card but he used it to his opponents' advantage not his own.

South's three no-trump contract was based on a minimum 13-point two no-trump response and a minimum of sub minimum 12-point opening bid by North.

West opened the jack of spades and South saw that his contract was practically hopeless. Also, there was nothing much he could do to make it, but East and West got together to make it for him.

East played the seven of spades. He was a' going to waste his queen on his partner's jack.

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WEST EAST	
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♣ A 5 3	♣ J 10 7 6
SOUTH	
♠ A 10 2	
♥ K 9 3	
♦ A 8 2	
♣ Q 9 8 2	
No one vulnerable	
North East South West	
1 ♠ Pass 2 N.T. Pass	
3 N.T. Pass Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♠ J	

South ducked, letting the jack hold. West continued with the ten and this time East had to play his queen. South also allowed this to hold and East found that he was in the lead with no spades left in his hand.

He led the jack of diamonds. South won with the ace, led a low heart and played the eight from dummy. East was in with the jack and still had no spade to lead. This gave South time to knock out the ace of clubs also and make his contract.

How did West help declarer? He could have led his king of spades at trick two. This would have kept him in the lead and allowed him to clear the spade suit by himself while he still held the ace of clubs.

CARD SENSE

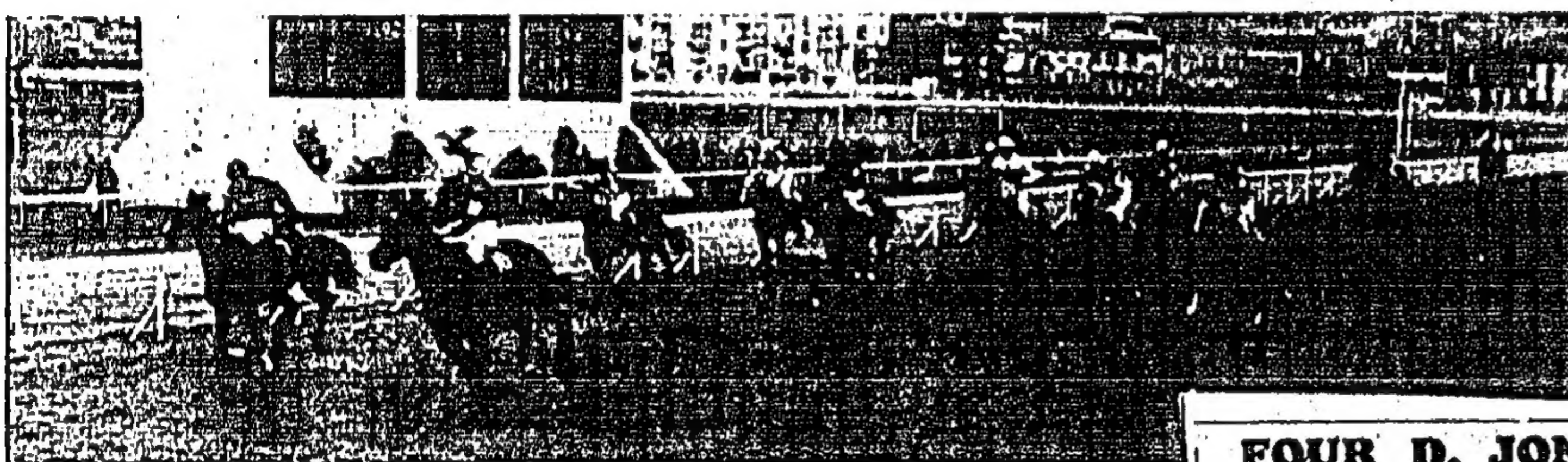
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SPORTS PICTORIAL

A memorable event in the history of local sports in general and of local football in particular was the presence of HRH Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh at the special match between the Combined Chinese and the non-Chinese Civilians at South China Stadium last Saturday.

Photo on right shows HRH the Duke of Edinburgh taking a keen interest in the progress of the game. On his left are Mr W. S. T. Leung (President of HKFA) and Mrs Leung and on his right H. E. the Governor, Sir Robert Black and Dr the Hon. A. M. Rodrigues (Vice-President of HKFA).

Below, HRH Prince Philip is seen being introduced to the non-Chinese team by the captain Howard Moss while Mr W. S. T. Leung looks on.—China Mail Photos.

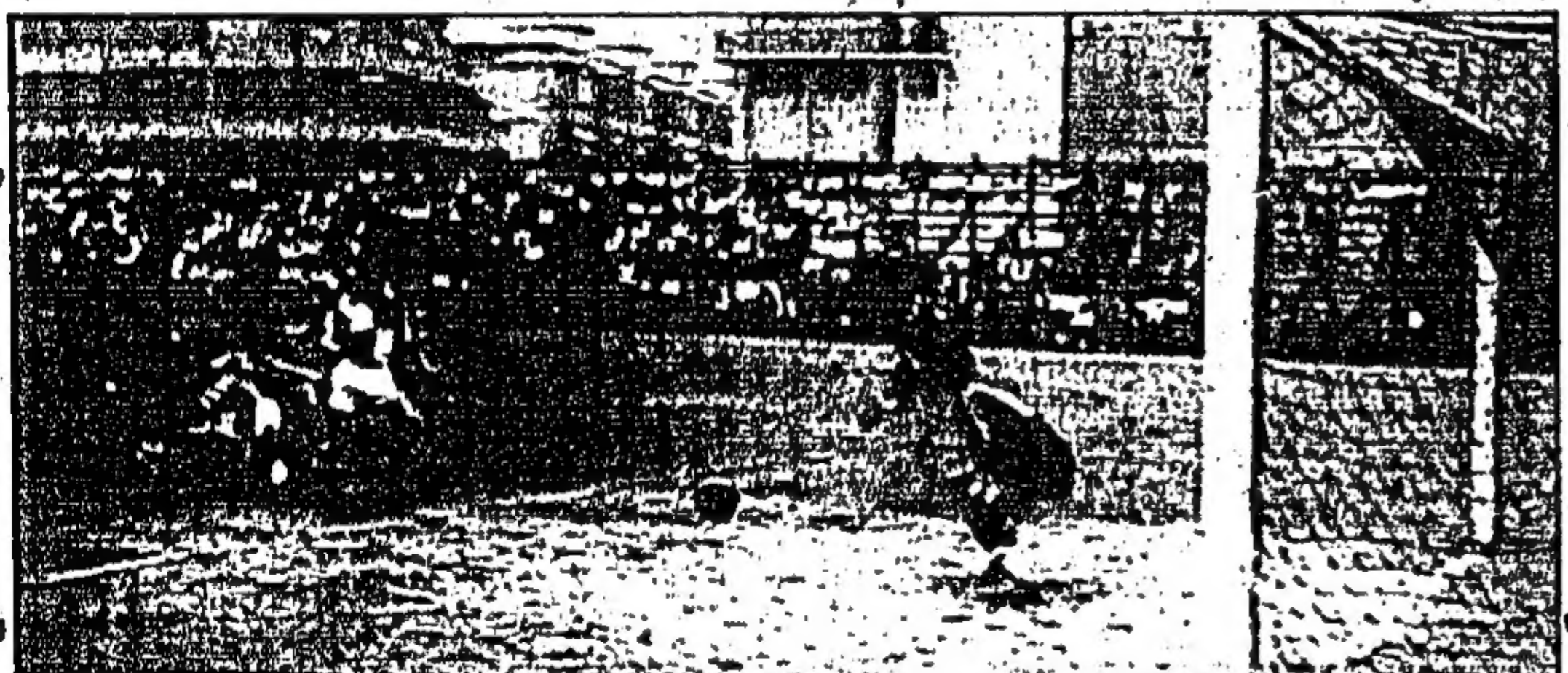


One of the two main events of the second day's programme of the Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting at Happy Valley last Wednesday was the Ladies' Purse.

This was won by Mr Y. W. Tam's Cover Girl ridden by H. K. Hung.

Above is a group photo taken after the presentation of the Ladies' Purse by Miss Patricia Lee. They are from left to right: Dr the Hon. S. N. Chou, Mr D. Black, the Hon. H. D. M. Barton, Miss Patricia Lee, Mr A. H. Fenn, Jockey H. K. Hung, Mr D. Benson and Mr W. T. Stanton.

Left photo shows L'Arc Triomphe (No. 10), ridden by A. Ostroumoff fighting out the finish of the 10th race with Five Gold (No. 7). L'Arc Triomphe won by half a length to pay \$31.40.—China Mail Photos.



ABOVE: An exciting goalmouth melee during the Inter-school senior grade soccer final last Sunday between Wah Yan and New Method College. Wah Yan claimed the title with a 4-0 victory.—China Mail photo.



The Army Inter-Unit Knock-out rugby tournament concluded last Wednesday with the final between the Green Howards and Fifth Field Regiment at the Club ground. Two late tries by the Green Howards enabled them to snatch an 8-3 win.

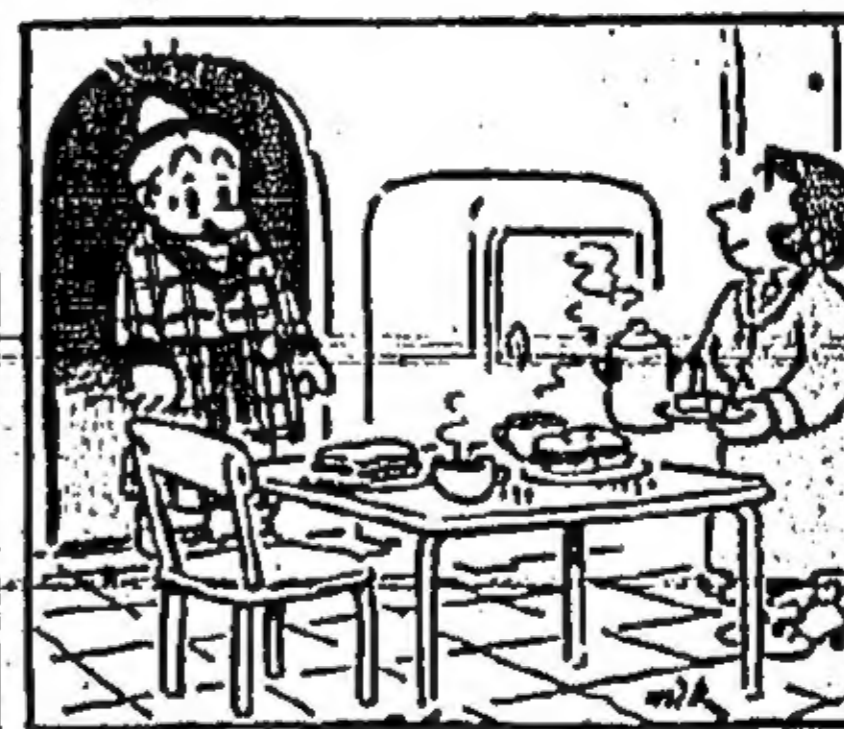
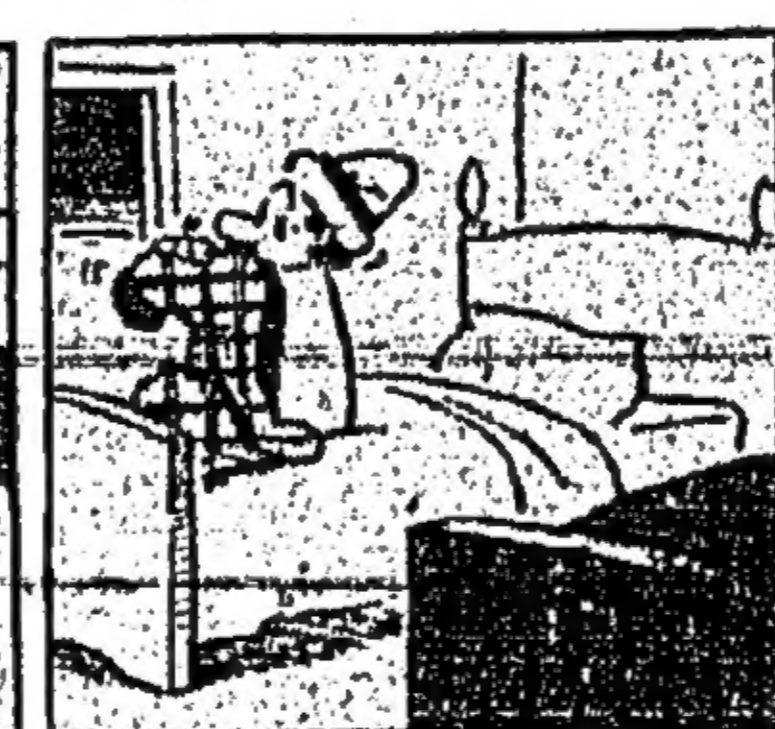
Top photo shows the champions and the lower photo the runners-up.—China Mail photos.



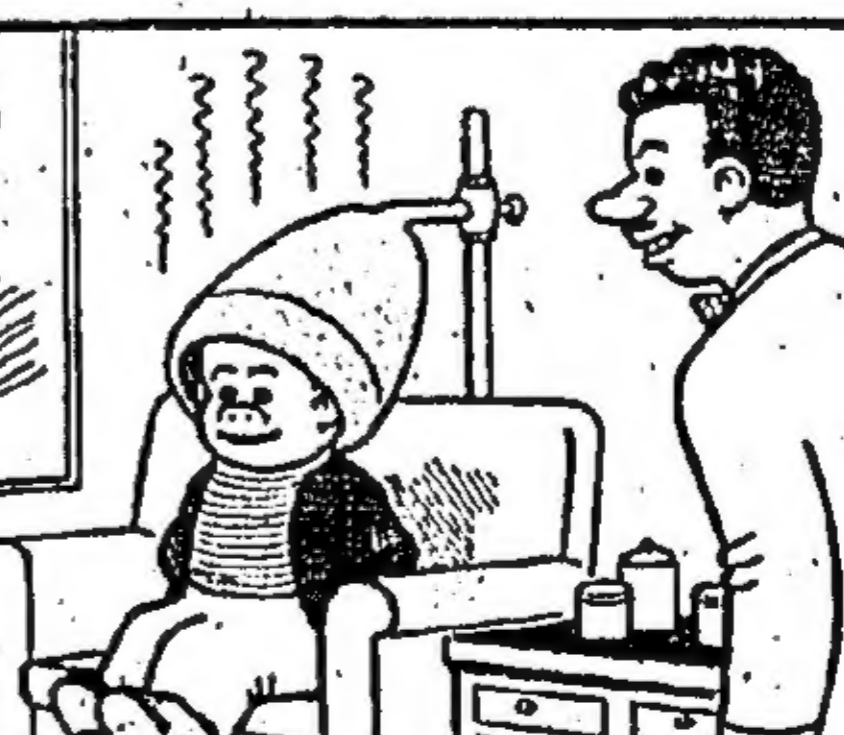
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Smallpox Scare Delays Ship In Harbour For Two Hours

By THE CHINA MAIL
SHIPPING REPORTER

The Swedish luxury liner, the ms Kungsholm, was delayed for more than two hours this morning while port health authorities investigated the smallpox scare on board the vessel.

One of the crew members who, it was rumoured, contracted the disease, was taken ashore in Manila.

The ship's medical officer was not available this morning, but passengers who had spoken to him said it was not smallpox, but a severe reaction to cholera inoculations.

The ship was due in at Kowloon wharf at 9 a.m. today, but local newsmen were unable to board her until she had been cleared by the health authorities, after 11 a.m.

My Love

Among the passengers was Mrs. Dean Dickason. She has been to Hongkong three times in the last six years. This is her fourth trip. In 1953 she was here together with her husband, a world-traveller, lecturer and film-maker, who was making a film on Hongkong. While shooting scenes in Mardenell Road on November 12, Mr. Dickason fell off a wall and was killed. Mrs. Dickason said that at first she found it difficult to return to Hongkong after the tragedy, but she added, "It has not dulled my love for Hongkong. It gets a little easier every time."

Mrs. Dickason is at present a lecturer on board the liner and gives lectures and shows films on the various ports of call. When she was here in 1956 she was interviewed on a local radio programme, "For Women Only." She does television work in America.

Terrible Storm

An elderly passenger, Mrs. David Alter, told reporters that she had fulfilled her life-long ambition in returning to Hongkong.

Mrs. Alter, who has been travelling since the age of 13, was last in the Colony four years ago, as a passenger on board the Coronica, but she recalls there was a terrible storm at the time, and she was not able to see the sights, she had looked forward to seeing.

She said she was more than pleased with the beautiful weather at present. She now had a chance of doing what she was unable to do on the last trip.

Mrs. Alter adopted a Chinese girl 25 years ago, who is at present living in Boston. The Chinese people, she thinks, are one of the friendliest races in the world and "I just love talking with and meeting them."

Two other passengers, Messrs Raymond Rousche and J. Frank Julian, commented that they were more than surprised to see so many hills. They said that in the past they had seen only aerial views of the Colony, but had never imagined that there were so many hills.

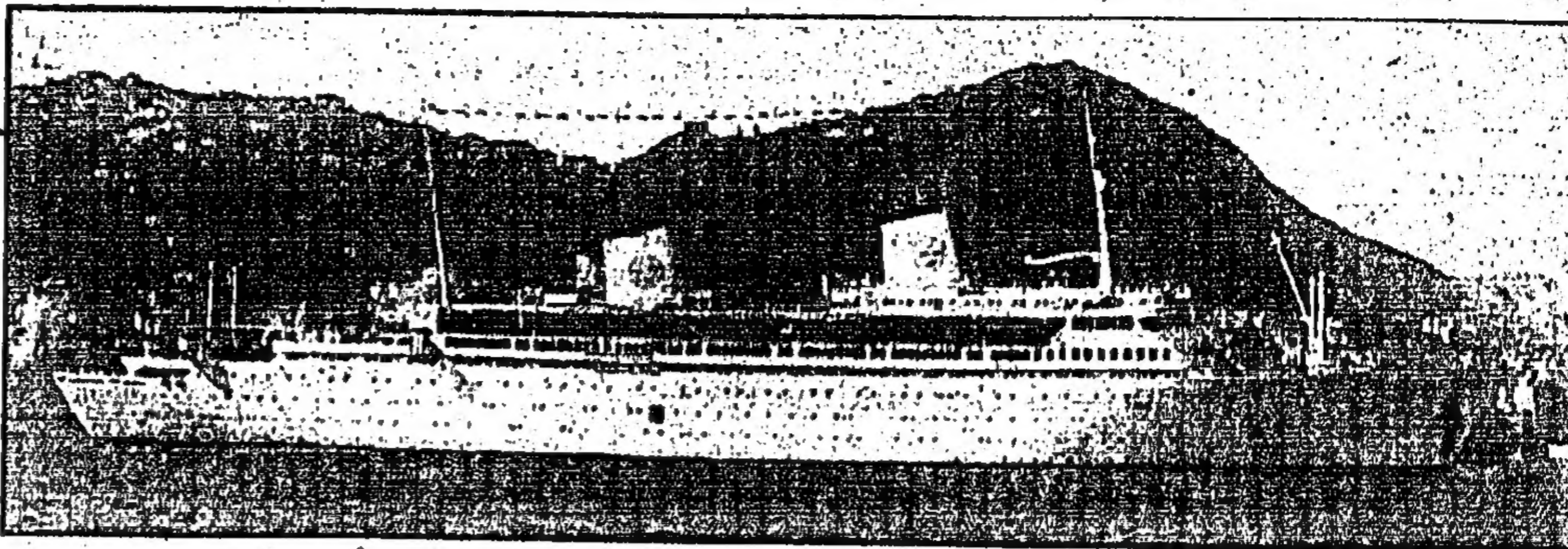
\$1,000 Each

Mr. Rousche estimated that most of the 170 passengers planned to spend about US\$1,000 each in the Colony during their three-day stay. The Kungsholm leaves the Colony on Friday.

Among the other notable passengers on board, were Lady Bankfoot Abernethy of Scotland, Commr and Mrs. Guy S. Ridgeway (Bermuda), Mr. and Mrs. William F. Bullis, owners of a boy's school in Washington, DC, Maj. Gen. L. W. T. Waller, U.S. Marine Corps, retired, who was also here 31 years ago as a Second Lieutenant in the US Army, the Earl and Countess of Essex, from Somerset, Bermuda, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Zelle, retired life insurance executive, who was formerly Chairman of the Board of the Life Insurance Company of Missouri and past president of Life Insurers' Conference.

From Hongkong, the Kungsholm will visit Kobe, Yokohama, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Acapulco, pass through the Panama Canal and arrive in New York on April 18.

The entire trip will take in all 100 days.



The Kungsholm in Hongkong harbour this morning.—China Mail Photo.

FALL IN STAR FERRY PASSENGERS But Profit Up

Star Ferry boats carried about 1.2 million passengers loss in 1958 compared with the previous year, but Mr. H. D. M. Barton, Chairman of directors, reported this morning that "the results of the Company's operations are nevertheless quite satisfactory."

Net profit showed an increase of \$173,924 to \$1,127,224. The reason for the fall in the number of passengers carried was "competition of alternative routes."

Mr. Barton also made known that there had also been a marked increase in the number of second-class tourists passengers at the expense of the first class during the year as reviewed in his report to the shareholders at the annual meeting.

MORE IN SECOND

More were now travelling in second class than first. Mr. Barton expressed the regret of all present at the death of Sir Man-kam Lo, a member of the Board.

He said Sir Man-kam's wide experience was a great asset to the company during his nine years' office as a director. His death was a great loss to the company.

Mr. Barton extended deepest sympathy to Lady Lo and the family on behalf of the directors.

Mr. Barton said the Company's programme of capital replacement was now almost completed and when the last of the new ferries was delivered at the end of this month or early in April, the company would have a modern and efficient fleet of eight ferries capable of serving the needs of the public for many years to come.

11 PC INCREASE

He said that in 1958, the company's ferries carried 36,324,942 as compared with 37,593,591 in 1957, resulting in a decrease of 1,268,649.

The increase of second class passengers at the expense of the first class was about 11 per cent to 57.2 per cent in comparison with the 1957 figures.

The new piers on both sides of the harbour are now completed and, as a result, the handling of rush hour traffic has greatly improved. There is still, however, some congestion at the approaches to the piers owing to the construction of the subway under Connaught Road on the Hongkong side, and to the improvements which are being carried out on the Traffic Concourse at Kowloon.

Our new vessels are giving every satisfaction in operation and the abandonment of steam driven craft has resulted in appreciable savings to the company in fuel and maintenance costs.

RE-ELECTED

The recommendation to pay a final dividend of \$0.50, making the total \$1.00, was passed and the statement of accounts and the directors' report were adopted.

Mr. H. Kadoorie, who retired on rotation, was re-elected to the board.

Man Gaoled On Drugs Charge Has Sentence Reduced

A man convicted of possessing dangerous drugs had his sentence reduced in the Full Court today because the District Court judge exceeded his jurisdiction.

The man, Tang Wing, 44, had been fined \$5,000 in default 18 months' imprisonment on a charge of having in his possession 14 oz of barbitone, a dangerous drug.

This penalty was imposed in the District Court by Judge R. H. Mills-Owen, on February 16.

Chan Kang, 58, was fined \$3,000 or 12 months' imprisonment on the same charge, and also appealed today.

THE LAW

The appeals were heard before the Chief Justice, Sir Michael Hogan, and Mr Justice Scholes.

Tang and Chan told the court they wanted the sentence to run from the date of their arrest, December 12 last year.

The Crown Counsel, Mr. A. Sangulnelli, told the court, "The learned District Judge actually exceeded his jurisdiction when he imposed an 18-months' sentence in default of the \$5,000 fine on Tang."

"The law reads that the term of imprisonment in default of a fine shall not exceed one year."

"The fines, however, were within the judge's jurisdiction." Sir Michael told Chan and Tang: "We would have seen no reason to interfere, if the sentence were such as the District Court ordinance permits to be imposed on people convicted of this kind of offence."

BACKDATED

"But because the sentence on Tang was outside the court's jurisdiction, it will have to be reduced from 18 months to one year."

"Also, in view of the time which elapsed between the arrest and the conviction, it would be reasonable to fix the term of imprisonment for both appellants to run from the date of arrest, December 12."

It was the second launching of a Veronique rocket. The first rocket reached a height of 107 miles, ejecting, at an altitude of 50 miles, a sodium cloud for experimental purposes.—France-Press.

French A-Blast In April?

Washington, March 10. France intends to carry out its first atomic bomb test in April, the American weekly magazine Newsweek reported today.—Reuter.



MISS TOMBLIN

British Council Executive Leaves HK

Miss Janet Tomblin left Hongkong this morning after serving on the British Council for the past six years. Miss Tomblin will be spending five months' leave in the UK before taking on a new assignment.

Miss Tomblin, who was one of the people responsible for the introduction of the Hongkong Festival of the Arts, said prior to her departure by BOAC this morning, that she had been lucky to have stayed in Hongkong as long as she had, and to have made so many friends.

Baby A-Bombs

Washington, March 10. The United States has developed "miniature atomic weapons of a power of one ton at T.N.T.," the Atomic Energy Commission indicated in a report published today.—France-Press.

Respectable, Not Bandits

New York, March 10. A bank-robbing foursome told police today that they were not common bandits, but respectable professional men — who had the urge to rob a bank.

The four were arrested as they counted the \$72,000 taken at machinegun point from a bank yesterday in a New York suburb.

During their hold-up, the men wore rubber masks, and calmly emptied cash drawers into paper bags.

They waved machineguns at terror-stricken bank employees, then left a tear bomb to help their getaway — but the bomb didn't go off.

When the police caught up with them, the four blandly informed the law enforcement men that they were not at all professional robbers, but an insurance salesman, an industrial designer, a plumber and a nightclub owner.—France-Press.

Bus Slams Into Queue: Two Killed

Pittsburgh, March 10. At least two persons were killed and 14 were injured today when a commuter bus slammed into a crowd waiting to board a trolley at the height of the evening rush hour in the downtown area.

Several of the injured were hurled through a large plate glass window at Kaufmann's department store.

Police recruited about 40 men and used a jack to lift the bus off an injured woman.

The bus driver said his brakes failed as he approached the trolley from the rear. He said he had to choose between hitting the trolley and swerving into the curb.—U.P.I.

This Funny World



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CLOUDY WEATHER ON THE WAY

The weather's fine today, but it is not likely to last for long, a spokesman of the Royal Observatory said this morning.

Today's maximum temperature, with practically cloudless skies, is expected to be about 68 degrees, or six degrees above yesterday's maximum. The spokesman said the fine weather would probably change tomorrow, and the outlook is "cloudy."

Douglas 'Worst'

Hollywood, March 10. Actor Kirk Douglas, amused at being named the worst actor of 1958 by the Harvard Companion, undergraduate humour magazine, fired off a telegram to the college boys reading: "Please send the trophy please."—U.P.I.

May Meeting

Paris, March 10. French sources said here tonight after the British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, had had talks with President Charles de Gaulle that a likely time and place for an East-West foreign ministers conference was Geneva at the beginning of May.—Reuter.

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